

## ALL MEN WHO BECAME 21 SINCE JUNE 5 TO REGISTER

### GOLDEN STREAM OF PAY DAY IN CITY

**Northern Pacific Railway Shops and Store Room Disbursing \$50,000, on Semi-Monthly Pay Day**

**Northwest Paper Co. Payroll Today is About \$7,000---Parker and Topping Foundry to Pay \$6,000**

Pay day at Brainerd today is resulting in the disbursement of most satisfactory amounts by the various large industries of the city.

The Northern Pacific railway shops and store room on January 15 paid approximately \$50,000. The freight depot received about \$1,200 and the yards about \$1,500.

The Minnesota & International railway pay day amounted to about \$7,000.

The Northwest Paper Co. paid out about \$7,000.

The Parker & Topping Co. foundry pays out on the 17th about \$6,000.

In addition there are many smaller enterprises, stores, laundry, sash and door factory, etc., all helping to pile up the quota of money paid out in wages.

### Business is Resumed After Severe Storm

(By United Press) Chicago, Jan. 13.—Several war industries which were suspended on account of the fuel shortage that followed the snow blockade are opening again and the situation is becoming normal.

### Will Help McAdoo

Washington, Jan. 15.—The appointment of President Aishton to a high post in McAdoo's railway administration was forecasted when it was announced he had been called to Washington to confer on mid-west problems.

### AMERICA SHOWS FRIENDSHIP

Envoy Greets People on Occasion of Russian New Year.

Petrograd, Jan. 15.—David R. Francis, American ambassador, in greeting Russian people on the occasion of the Russian new year, issued a statement to the Russian press in which he says:

"The best greetings I can give Russian people from American people is President Wilson's message to Congress on January 8 (December 26, old style, which has been given in full to the Russian press."

The ambassador says the message expresses clearly the friendship of America for Russia.

### TURKEY VIOLATES ARMISTICE

Lands Troops and Torpedoes Russian Transport, Is Report.

Petrograd, Jan. 15.—Turkey has violated the armistice signed between the Teuton powers and Russia, according to word received here. The Ottoman commander, it is stated, has landed 20,000 troops between Trebizond and Rize, and a Turkish submarine is reported to have sunk a Russian transport.

### Soldiers Killed in Texas Wreck.

Calvert, Tex., Jan. 15.—The north-bound "owl" passenger train on the Houston & Texas Central railroad split an open switch at Hammond five miles from Bremond, killing 16 persons and badly injuring 14 others. The second coach, which was a chair car, was smashed into splinters. The dead include four soldiers, three women, two babies and seven men. When the train hit the switch, the steel sleeper telescoped the chair car next to it. All the occupants of this car were either killed or injured.

A. H. SMITH

Rail executive in charge of transportation in cities in east.



One of Director General McAdoo's assistants who had his hand full in the operation of trains during the recent storm which swept the country. The storm was so severe that it caused a serious setback in efforts to relieve freight congestion. Mr. Smith stated.

### Register Men Who Became 21 Since June 5

(By United Press)

Washington, Jan. 15.—Senator Chamberlain introduced a resolution providing for immediate registration of all men who become 21 years of age since June 5. Secretary Baker has endorsed the measure and it is estimated that it will add half a million men to the list.

### Narrowly Escape German Bombs on Firing Lines

(By United Press)

With the American Army in France Jan. 15.—American officers recently visiting the firing line in the French trenches narrowly escaped death. One officer was crawling along in a low, shallow trench and inadvertently stood up. The German position sighter saw and bombed him killing his French interpreter. The American then lay face down for hours, for whenever he crawled the German shelled him but he finally escaped under cover of darkness. A young Texan officer walking in the high open ground was spotted and shrapnel burst just behind him. He ran and the shrapnel followed him he being able to keep 50 yards ahead of the bursting shells.

### Every Sammy Gets a Week Absent Leave

With the American Army in France Jan. 15.—A general order gives every Sammy a week's leave of absence for each four months service at the front during which time they can spend their time at the special recreation centers. They are only allowed to visit Paris by special permission.

### Consolidated Schools

Fargo, N. D., Jan. 15.—State School Superintendent McDonald in addressing the Tri-State Grain Growers urged that sufficient rural consolidated schools be maintained for all, and urged that this was of the utmost importance to the maintenance of schools.

W. W. COMFORT

Head of Haverford College, Quaker Educational Institution



Quakerdom, for the first time in its existence, has abandoned the practice of excommunicating members who participate in the war. This announcement is made by W. W. Comfort president of Haverford college. He says many Quakers are serving as ambulance drivers and in constructive units.

### Kaiser Worried Short Baby Crop Offers Premium

(By United Press)

Washington, Jan. 15.—The kaiser is deeply concerned in the short baby crop in Germany, according to official advices received. He however is little concerned regarding the welfare of the babies after birth. The German government is urging young couples to marry and are giving double food rations to such during the fortnight of the honeymoon as prizes for matrimony. After marriage the bride suddenly finds they must unload railway trucks and otherwise do all kinds of war labor.

### No Discrimination

(By United Press)

Amsterdam, Jan. 15.—Berlin dispatches formally deny the report that Germany intends to treat American war prisoners more severely than others.

### LADIES AUXILIARY OF PUBLIC SAFETY

**Largely Attended Meeting Held at the Chamber of Commerce Rooms on Monday Afternoon**

**Speakers Included E. A. Colquhoun, Miss Agnes Peterson, Miss Alice Poulter, Committees Named**

The monthly meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary of Public Safety was held Monday afternoon at the Chamber of Commerce rooms at 5 o'clock. Mrs. O. H. Johnson presiding. A large delegation was present and a spirit of co-operation and enthusiasm was apparent throughout the entire meeting.

### AIR RAID ON KARLSRUHE

**Successful Daylight Attack Made by British Flyers.**

War Factories at German Resort Put Out of Commission by Bombs.

London, Jan. 15.—A successful daylight reprisal air raid has been made in Karlsruhe, according to a British official communication.

Karlsruhe is the capital of the Grand Duchy of Baden. It is situated about 50 miles from the French border and has a population of between 75,000 and 80,000.

The text of the statement says: "Today our squadrons carried out a most successful raid into Germany in broad daylight, their objectives being the railway station and munitions factories at Karlsruhe. One and a quarter tons of bombs were dropped, with excellent results. Bombs were observed on buildings and sidings of the main railway junction in the center of the town, on railway workshops and a small junction in the town.

Large Fire Started. "Observers report that a very large fire was started in factories alongside the railway, which was confirmed by photographs taken after the raid.

"The anti-aircraft fire was very heavy and accurate over the objectives and several hostile machines attacked our formation without success. All our airplanes reached their objectives and returned safely.

"In combats seven hostile machines were driven down out of control. Another was forced to land intact behind our lines by anti-aircraft fire; the pilot was captured. Three of our machines are missing.

### OIL TANKER TEXAN IS SUNK

Warships Rush to Save Possible Survivors.

Washington, Jan. 15.—Warships are rushing to the rescue of possible survivors of the American oil tanker Texan, reported to have sunk at sea following collision with another vessel.

Official report of the accident was received at the Navy department following a day of unconfirmed rumors.

The Texan and the vessel she collided with are reported to have been under convoy.

FREIGHT WEEK OPENS BADLY

Snow Blocked Yards Make Clearing of Roads Difficult.

Washington, Jan. 15.—Freight moving week" opened under rather inauspicious circumstances with drayage and unloading facilities at terminals occupied with other tasks made necessary by the storm, but the rising temperatures over the country gave officials hope that the latter days of the week would be open for a great clearance movement to release cars.

Indianapolis Schools Close.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 15.—Eighteen hundred cars of coal are needed immediately in Indiana to relieve the situation, according to figures compiled by the fuel administration.

Requests for immediate relief from 15 counties totalled more than 400 cars. Thirty-five schools in Indianapolis alone have closed on account of the lack of fuel.

### Russians Leave Rumanian Front in Great Swarms

(By United Press)

Petrograd, Jan. 11.—Russians are leaving the Rumanian front in such swarms that the railways are unable to accommodate the demands made upon them.

### Speech Pleases Press

(By United Press)

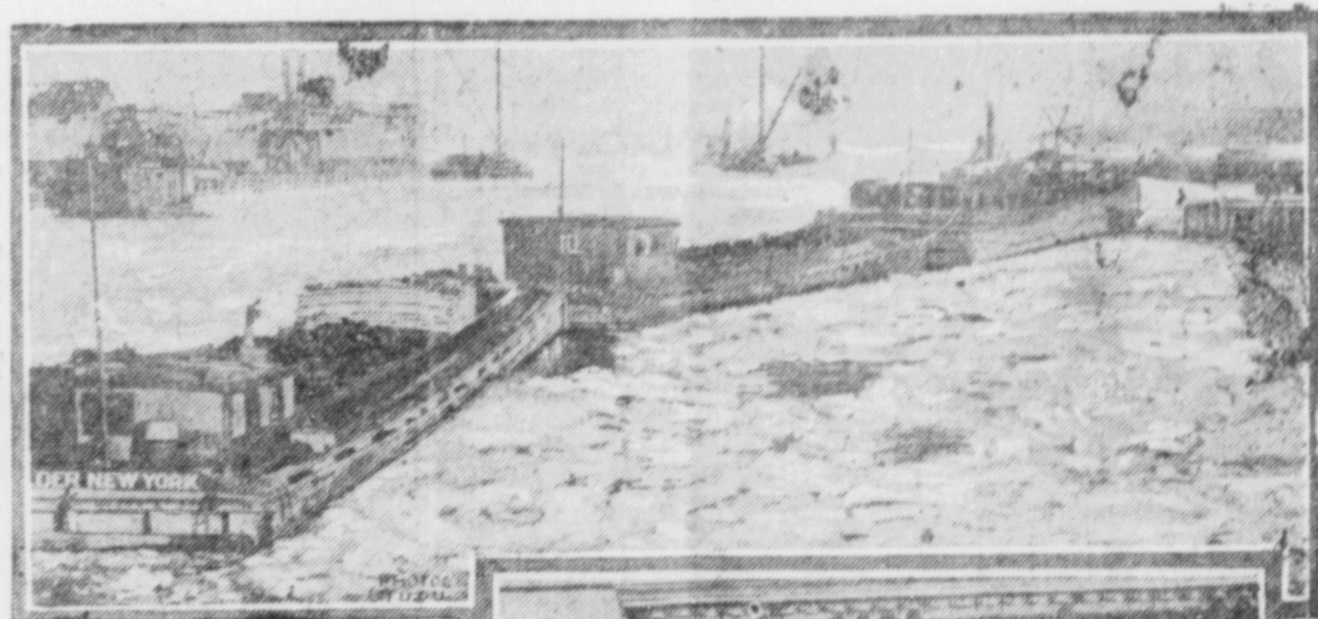
London, Jan. 15.—The Bulgarian press comment favors President Wilson's peace speech.

### Packing Plant Men Testify in Federal Probe

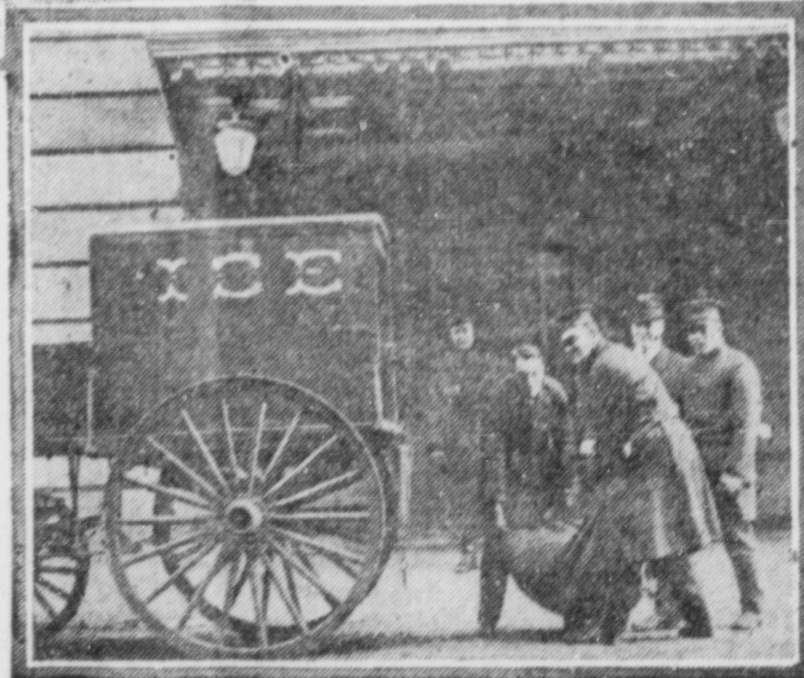
(By United Press)

St. Paul, Jan. 13.—The big packers who control the stockyards, railroads serving these yards, banks serving livestock men, rendering plants, stockmen's newspapers and many other businesses incident to the packing industry as well as their packing plant testimony is on probe by Federal Trade Commissioner Davies today. Wm. McGivny, president of the union stock yards, admitted the packers usually do control such activities.

### Coal Barges Stalled While Police Beg Coal in New York



Thousands of tons of coal were in view of freezing New Yorkers during their cold spell, but they were out in the frozen Hudson river. Mayor Hyman had the police, in the meantime, go from house to house to beg coal which was sent in commandeered wagons to the poor. The upper photo shows barges unable to cross the icy river, and the lower, policemen receiving coal from a Broadway theatre which they loaded on a commandeered ice wagon.





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**THE WEATHER**  
Weather Forecast for Next 24 Hours:  
Not much change.  
Co-operative observer's record, 6 P. M.—  
January 14, maximum 11, minimum 3 below.  
January 15, minimum during the night, 16 below.

**LOCAL NEWS NOTES**  
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News of Parties, Visitors, Vis-  
its, Deaths, Accidents, Etc.,  
gratefully received by the Dis-  
patch. Telephone North-  
west 74.  
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The second payment of Liberty loan  
bonds is due today.  
For Spring Water phone 264. If  
Rev. Walter Smith went to Fort  
Ripley this afternoon.  
Miss Harriet Anderson of Duluth  
was visiting in the city.  
Crystal Spring water, \$1.00 month.  
L. Bourassa, Telephone 13. 541m  
Mrs. Wilson Bradley of Deerwood  
visited in Brainerd today.  
E. A. Ramberg of Pillager went to  
Minneapolis this afternoon.  
Store your household goods with D.  
M. Clark & Co. 129tf  
Mrs. Edward Orth has returned  
from a visit in Ironwood, Mich.  
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Now, You Have to Look at the  
EMPRESS AD.  
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W. K. McNair of Cloquet was in  
the city and at the paper mill today.  
Sawed wood for sale. Phone 152-J.  
184-5p  
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Mrs. G. E. Lindberg of Crosby, the  
guest of Mrs. J. C. Claussen, returned  
this afternoon to her home.  
Strictly fresh eggs, 50c a dozen.  
Brainerd Public Market. If  
H. Riden of Little Falls was in  
the city and may put in a sawmill  
near Manganese.  
Eyes examined, glasses fitted. Dr.  
E. E. Long, Ransford Bldg. 179tf  
Miss Pearl Hanson, guest of friends  
and relatives in Backus, has returned  
to Brainerd.  
Mrs. E. J. McMahon, Slipp block,  
hemstitching and picot. 181-1m  
Miss Julia Kearns of Backus, guest  
of friends and relatives in Brainerd,  
has returned to her home.  
If you enjoy home cooking try  
breakfast and supper at the Iron Ex-  
change hotel. Supper 5:30 P. M. 189tf  
H. A. Peterson, cashier of the First  
State bank of Barrows, was in Brainerd  
on business matters today.  
George A. Tracy has removed his  
real estate and insurance office to  
Room 213 Iron Exchange Bldg. 186tf  
Guests of Wm. McGee are his sis-

ter, Mrs. Minnie Stansbury and niece,  
Miss Edith Zuver.  
Rev. Wm. Reiman is confined to his  
home on North Broadway with an at-  
tack of the grippe.  
The county commissioners will hold  
a meeting Saturday evening, Janu-  
ary 19 at 7:30 o'clock.  
Oliver Swelland, employed at the  
Swelland Studios, left today for a  
short stay at Great Falls, Mont.  
If you enjoy home cooking try  
breakfast and supper at the Iron Ex-  
change hotel. Supper 5:30 P. M. 188tf  
Fritz Hagberg of the Winnor-Ad-  
ams Lumber Co. may attend the lum-  
bermen's convention at Minneapolis.  
The large spacious dining room of  
the Ransford hotel has been newly  
decorated in pleasing soft toned col-  
ors.  
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L. O. O. MOORSE ANNIVERSARY  
Thursday, January 17.  
Dance  
Come and Bring a Friend  
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Theodore Brunsford of the Lake-  
side Lumber Co. went to Minneapolis  
yesterday to attend the lumbermen's  
convention.  
Chris Erickson of the Eagle Provi-  
sion Co. returned today from a busi-  
ness trip to Staples where he has a  
branch store.  
For a first class job of Oxy-Acety-  
lene welding go to Herbert Peterson  
at the Woodhead Motor Co. garage. 13tf  
T. E. Dahlberg, who has a lumber  
camp at Manganese, was in the city  
today after a short visit with his  
family in Barrows.  
Clean-up sale of men's and wo-  
men's bath robes and bath robe blan-  
kets. Buy a robe now for they will  
be considerable higher next fall. B.  
Kaatz & Son. 11  
Floyd Brown of Aitkin was in the  
city today, having visited relatives.  
His wife will continue her visit with  
her sister, Mrs. A. K. Lukens.  
A few insertions of a want ad, said  
Iver Holden, and the Central hotel  
secured the woman help needed. Dis-  
patch want ads fill the bill and they  
don't cost much either.  
The Crow Wing county rock  
crusher, which had been rented by  
the Minneapolis Bridge Co. for use  
near Pillager, has been returned to  
the county and is today being un-  
loaded from the flat car.  
If you enjoy home cooking try  
breakfast and supper at the Iron Ex-  
change hotel. Supper 5:30 P. M. 189tf  
Erick Kronberg of Brainerd and A.  
A. Shedd and David Whitaker of Mil-  
waukee, Wis., were on the range last  
week examining into mining condi-  
tions and looking up properties con-  
trolled by Mr. Kronberg.  
J. Pat McGill was over from Brainerd  
Tuesday. This is the first time  
he has been in Ironton for a year,  
and some people were getting suspi-  
cious that he had a ghost around  
here somewhere.—Ironton News.  
School opened Monday with a large  
compliment of scholars. It was with  
a feeling of regret however on the  
part of some of the younger fry as  
they had anticipated the closing of  
schools on account of fuel short-  
age.  
Mons. Mahlum, president of the  
Mahlum Lumber Co., went to Minne-  
apolis Monday to attend the lum-  
bermen's convention which is in session  
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of  
this week. E. B. Darling of the  
Mahlum Co. leaves on Wednesday to  
attend the gathering.  
For home surroundings, excellent  
board and good warm rooms you  
must live at the Windsor Hotel. Your  
choice of several dandy rooms at very  
reasonable rates if you act quickly. 11  
If there ever was a time to adver-  
tise the merchant of Brainerd will do  
it now when the golden stream of  
paydays pours its prosperity into the  
city. With the three big institu-  
tions of the city paying out approxi-  
mately large amounts, Brainerd will  
be busy today and this evening and  
for many days to come.  
It isn't too late to enter our Eve-  
ning Classes. Special attention is  
given Civil Service Training. You  
owe it to yourself to make your eve-  
nings count. Our courses solve the  
problem. Better enroll now than  
be sorry. Brainerd Commercial Col-  
lege. 11  
The jury in the district court in  
the Lawrence Ravnika case came in  
and gave a verdict of not guilty.  
Ravnika was charged with grand  
larceny in the second degree, of tak-  
ing a cow from Joe Bibbich of Iron-  
ton. County Attorney S. F. Alder-  
man appeared for the state and At-  
torney G. S. Swanson for Ravnika.  
Mrs. J. A. Arts of Hancock, Mich-  
igan, is the guest of her daughter,  
Mrs. Fred T. Lincoln. She arrived  
from Duluth on the night train Mon-  
day. Mrs. Arts has an only son in  
the service of Uncle Sam and is

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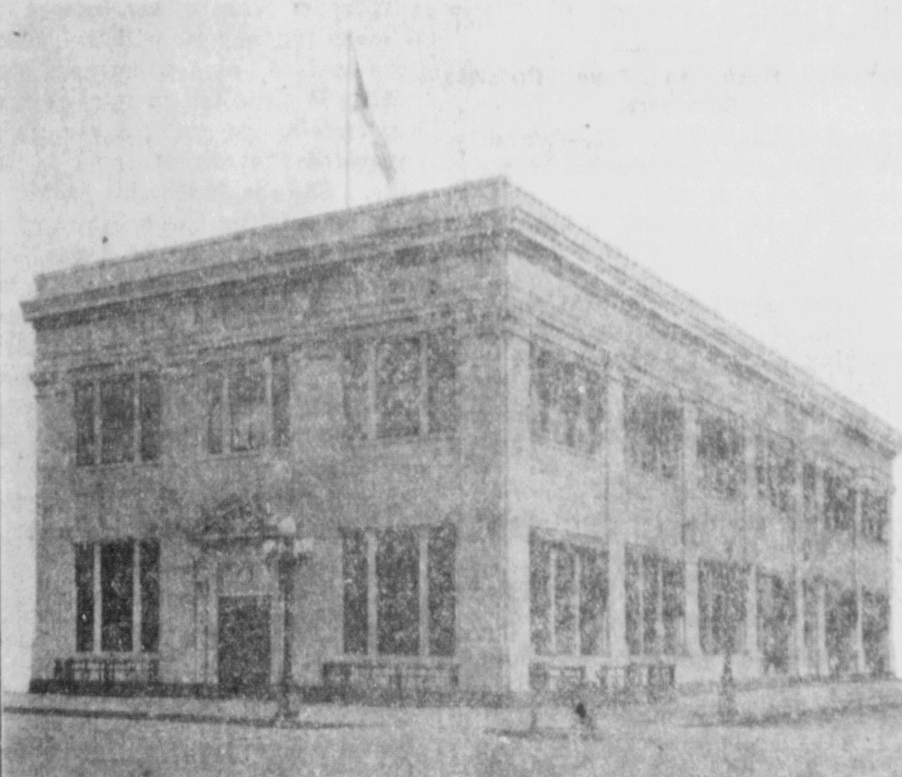
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HAVE NO COAL**  
Transports Added to List of Es-  
sentials That Must Be Sup-  
plied With Fuel.  
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**FACTORIES TO CLOSE**  
Householders to Get First Relief,  
Less Essential Industries Last—  
Plants in East Must Give  
Up Stocks.  
Washington, Jan. 15.—Fuel Admin-  
istrator Garfield has added ships  
transporting supplies to Europe to the  
list of essentials that must be sup-  
plied coal. They were put ahead  
even of war industries, after reports  
were received that a million tons of  
shipping is held at New York for a  
lack of bunkers.  
The shortage in the New York  
area is due to the railroad tieup.  
William G. McAdoo, director general  
of transportation, also took drastic  
steps to afford relief.  
Disregarding all other demands,  
the railroads in this district were di-  
rected to move coal for households  
and food and coal for the bunkers  
of European bound munition ships.  
The storm conditions responsible  
for the tie-up are described by rail-  
road officials as the worst in 50  
years.  
Smith Urges Drastic Action.  
The director general's action was  
taken following a conversation over  
the telephone with A. H. Smith, as-  
sistant to the director general in  
charge of transportation in the  
Northwest.  
Mr. Smith recommended getting  
service, "even if manufacturing in-  
dustries close down for a few days  
until the effect of this storm can be  
cleared away, and working room be  
afforded."  
Mr. McAdoo's action also followed  
a long conference of the war council  
at the War department. With little  
prospect of a relief from the blizzard  
conditions, representatives of the  
War and Navy Departments, the  
Shipping board, Councils of Defense,  
Food and Fuel administrations, dis-  
cussed the greatest needs facing  
the country at the present time.  
A general plan of coal distribution  
designed to relieve the East, as out-  
lined by Dr. Garfield, gives prefer-  
ence first to householders; second,  
to public utilities supplying light and  
heat; third, to ships transporting  
food and war materials to the  
American army and to the Allies; fourth,  
to war industries, and fifth, to all  
other classes of industry.  
The program will be put into force  
with the aid of state fuel adminis-  
trators. It will apply probably to all  
the states east of the Mississippi.

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**FOE INVENTS NEW GAS HORROR**  
Perfects Brutal Device Especially For  
Use Against Americans.  
Rotterdam, Jan. 15.—Germany has  
perfected a new gas horror for use es-  
pecially against Americans, according  
to released British prisoners here. The  
new device has been thoroughly tested  
out, according to the information.  
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**Recognizes Finland Independence.**  
Amsterdam, Jan. 15.—Austria-Hun-  
gary has officially recognized the in-  
dependence of Finland, according to  
a dispatch received here from Vienna.  
**Kentucky Ratifies Dry Amendment.**  
Lexington, Ky., Jan. 15.—Kentucky  
is the second state in the United  
States to ratify the national prohibi-  
tion amendment. The legislature has  
ratified the prohibition amendment by  
the following votes: Senate, 27 to 6.  
House, 63 to 19.  
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**Says We're Slow in Starting.**  
Washington, Jan. 15.—America's en-  
trance to the world war found no  
"government department yet organ-  
ized to handle the task thrust upon  
this country." Chairman Daniel Wil-  
lard of the war industries board testi-  
fied to senate military probers. No  
one in the war department he added,  
knew even the resources of the coun-  
try at that time. The national defense  
council advisory committee didn't be-  
gin to study the war problems, he  
said, until March, when war was im-  
minent.  
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**No Such Place.**  
"Tey pay too high for the things we  
ate," said Mulligan to his wife. "Can't  
yez find a grocery where they sell  
things lower?" "No, Mike," responded  
Mrs. Mulligan. "There do be some  
places that sell things higher than oth-  
ers, but there do be none where they  
sell them lower."—Boston Transcript.

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BRAINERD'S ODDEST  
STORIES OF TODAY  
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Without a break in the type,  
Mrs. Dare's "Walker Pilot" re-  
corded the three line obituary  
that Te-bl-seo-gi-shig-oke, wife  
of A. H. Nan-me-a-gah-bow, died  
at Bear Island last week.  
It takes refugees from an-  
other land, storm-tossed about,  
to appreciate the haven that  
America affords. The average  
American does not appreciate  
all the advantages he enjoys  
in this country until he has a  
chance to compare things in  
other countries.  
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**GERMAN FACTIONS IN CLINCH**  
Hertling's Speech Before Reichstag  
Expected to Mark Crisis.  
London, Jan. 15.—The climax of a  
death struggle between the Reich-  
stag peace majority and the German  
annexionists is expected before the  
Reichstag by Chancellor von Hert-  
ling.  
The present conference in Berlin  
of military and political leaders is  
regarded as an effort to obtain some  
agreement among German parties as  
to war aims.  
In many quarters it is believed  
annexionists, headed by Von Lu-  
dendorff and Von Hindenburg, will  
be victorious and that the chancellor  
will proclaim new war aims with in-  
tended annexations both on the east  
and west fronts as their basis.  
The slated speech is also expected  
to take the form of a reply to the  
recent addresses of President Wilson  
and Premier Lloyd George. Upon  
it may also rest the ultimate result  
of the peace conferences with Russia.

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Numbers of Symphony Orchestra Program January 18th.  
Reviewed

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Music has been called "God's great gift to the world." It speaks to us through wind and wave, through the birds of the air, and rises from the souls of men bursting with expressions that comfort, sustain and strengthen the tried souls of men.

The program of music to be given by the Symphony orchestra on Friday will certainly measure up to all the thoughts and descriptions given by writers in days gone by.

The following is a condensed synopsis of the latter half of the program, the former numbers being given in a earlier issue of the paper:

"Forget-Me-Not," by Macbeth. This composer is not very well known in America, is a product of Scotland, an accomplished organist, a teacher and composer ranking with the masters. In England this composition is lauded and has become as well known as any of our own semi-classics.

"Berceuse," by Tjilinsky. A Russian composer of international reputation. He was a close friend of the great master, Tchaikowsky and was influenced a great deal by him. This "Berceuse" lends itself wonderfully to the instrumentation of the modern orchestra, and we speak for it a winning place on any program.

"Patrol of the Musketeers," by Bachman. A comparatively unknown composer, although the writer of a number of compositions. His fame rests almost entirely with the "Patrol of the Musketeers," which has become a universal favorite.

"Gondolieria" by Louis Victor Saar. This boat song is thoroughly enjoyable and has received a masterful instrumentation at the hands of the composer. Mr. Saar is at present the head of the well known Cincinnati Conservatory of Music and is classified in the list of American composers.

The music lovers of Brainerd will certainly agree that this program promises to be as good if not better than any presented.

The orchestra with its director are working faithfully and we can predict a splendid interpretation of all the numbers as given.

Tickets for this concert to be given Friday evening must be purchased at Dunn's drug store and the Folsom Music Co., price 50 cents, children under twelve may occupy the seats in the gallery, tickets 25 cents to be purchased at the box office the night of the concert.

The music lovers of Brainerd will be interested to learn that the symphony will play at Staples on January 25th for the benefit of the high school, and at Crosby on February 4th for the benefit of the Red Cross.

## Dorcas Society Meets Wednesday

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Anderson, 1802 Oak Street Southeast, will entertain the Dorcas society of the Swedish Bethany church on Wednesday evening. The meeting was scheduled for Friday evening, but on account of the Symphony concert it has been advanced to Wednesday evening. A good program is being prepared and a cordial invitation is extended to all.

## First Congregational Aid.

The Ladies' Aid society of the First Congregational church will meet Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. P. Anderson and be entertained by Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. R. B. Withington.

## Ladies Guild Meeting

The Ladies Guild of St. Paul's Episcopal church will be entertained on Wednesday afternoon by Mrs. J. R. Smith, 423 North Broadway.

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ARE YOU DOING  
WHAT YOU SHOULD

"A Wheatless Meal a Day and Wednesday a Wheatless Day" Will Make it Possible to

## CONSERVE THE WHEAT SUPPLY

Plenty of Excellent Methods are Furnished for Carrying Out the Wishes of Food Administrator

Mrs. Housewife, do you know how many navy beans there are in a pound? Do you know how many slices of graham bread there are in a 12 oz. loaf? Do you know how many prunes there are in a pound and a few other such things." A. D. Wilson.

A book containing above facts and suggestions for following the food administration's plans etc. will soon come to the housewives from A. D. Wilson. "For instance here is the way the government advises the making of: "Cornmeal pie crust"—Grease a pie plate well. Cover with raw cornmeal, giving the plate a rotating motion so that an even layer of the meal will stick to the plate about 1-16 of an inch in thickness. Fill the plate with pumpkin pie mixture. Bake in hot oven." A. D. Wilson.

Women of Brainerd, study this recipe. Doesn't it sound just like a man! But we can try it. It is much easier than the old way.

A wheatless meal a day and Wednesday a wheatless day.

Breakfast—Preserved figs, or any preserved fruits, cream, half milk or butter milk. "It is best not to eat cooked and preserved fruits with bread or any decidedly starchy foods, for this style of eating favors fermentation and invites overeating."

Personally, we older people prefer the "starches" for breakfast and fruits at noon or night.

## FOR 14 CORN DODGERS

2 cups cornmeal, 1 teaspoon salt, 2 teaspoons fat 1 3-4 cups boiling water. Pour the boiling water over the other materials. Beat well. When cool form into thin cakes and bake 1/2 hour in a hot oven. These crisp biscuits are good served hot with butter or gravy.

Noon meal—Baked apples, chocolate blanc-mange made from left over cocoa. Add enough milk for 1 quart, sweeten to taste, thicken with two tablespoons cornstarch. Cook three minutes. Milk.

Dinner—Steak or beef stew, onions boiled and buttered, hot beets, buttered or a creamed vegetable. Substitute baked potatoes, dry beans or dry peas for meat and still be well fed.

At the council meeting, the point was brought out that using whole wheat, and graham conserves white flour but not wheat. Let us observe a wheatless day by omitting the wheat and using "pumpernickel" which is 1/4 rye flour and 3/4 rye meal.

The dark breads, with the exception of those made of cornmeal, are better with raw fruits than white bread. Sincerely

MRS. C. D. McKAY,  
For Food Conservation.

## BOX SOCIAL

To be Given Wednesday Evening, January 16, at the Salvation Army Hall

A box social will be given Wednesday evening, January 16, at 8 o'clock at the Salvation Army hall for the benefit of local work of the army.

Each lady will prepare a box with lunch for two, and gentlemen are invited to come and buy the boxes. Everybody is asked to come.

## RED CROSS DIRECTORS

Meeting This Evening at Chamber of Commerce Rooms at 7:30 and all Members Should Attend

The directors of the Brainerd Chapter, American Red Cross, will meet at the Chamber of Commerce rooms this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

In addition to the regular routine work of the Chapter, plans for a meeting of chairmen and secretaries of the different branches and auxiliaries in the county will be discussed. Mrs. J. A. Thabes, county chairman, believes that such a meeting would prove of benefit to those who are active in Red Cross work in the county. A tentative date has been set for January 22nd, but this will be definitely decided tonight.

## Legation Arrested

(By United Press)  
Petrograd, Jan. 15—All members of the Rumanian legation have been placed under arrest.

## She Has Sent Seven Sons to the War



Mrs. William J. Tisdall, a widow, of 1125 Garden street, Hoboken, that New Jersey headquarters of pro-German activity, may hold the record in that she has sent seven sons to the war. They are in the British, Canadian and American armies. They are: Henry William Tisdall, thirty-eight years old; John Tisdall, thirty-four; Mark A. Tisdall, thirty-two; William Ottway Tisdall, 29; Victor

Tisdall, 28; Edward Tisdall, 25; Travers Tisdall, 23.

Henry Tisdall is now serving in the British army, Edward is with the Canadians, and Victor is in England with the Scots Canadians. Mark is also a member of a British regiment. Travers is a member of Company A of the Eleventh Regiment of Engineers in the American army, John and William are also with the American forces.

MARLEY SHERRIS  
SONG RECITAL

Baritone Gave a Pleasing Program at Brainerd Musical Club Meeting Saturday

## OCCASION WAS A CLUB TREAT

Mrs. W. A. M. Johnstone in Capacity of Accompanist Did Her Part Most Admirably

Never have the Brainerd Musical club members and their friends been more pleased with a vocal soloist than last Saturday afternoon when Marley Sherris, baritone, sang at the club meeting. His interpretations of the various numbers, which included old English ballads, Negro spirituals, Italian and French songs and songs by American composers, especially appealed to his hearers for he had the ability to express through his singing the conceptions and visions which he had so clearly formed in his study of the different compositions.

His voice, too, was most pleasing and proved very flexible and resourceful through the various kinds and qualities of tones required for his translations of the numbers he sang; his knowledge of technique was unquestionably thorough.

That Mr. Sherris' audience appreciated him was expressed in the applause which followed every group of songs; and that he appreciated the applause was demonstrated by the encores which he so graciously gave.

Mrs. W. A. M. Johnstone in the capacity of accompanist, did her part most admirably and the Musical club congratulates itself that it can count among its members a pianist so finished and prepared to assist on the artist programs.

B. KAATZ & SON  
YEAR'S BUSINESS

Showed a Material Increase in 1917 Over That Done in 1916, Said Hugo A. Kaatz

## THE SUB-POSTOFFICE STATION

With Exception of Distributing Mail a Regular Postoffice Business is Done at Store

"Our business during 1917 showed a material increase over 1916," said Hugo A. Kaatz of B. Kaatz & Son. "The holiday business was exceptionally good especially in merchandise of the better goods. The trade bought not only useful gifts and articles of wearing apparel during the holiday season, but articles of luxury, toys, dolls, games, etc., were in big demand. Toys of better values moved exceptionally well."

"We aim to serve the public in every way possible. For the accommodation of our patrons in Northeast Brainerd, we added during the past year a sub-postoffice station in our store. This department is greatly appreciated by the residents of this section of the city as it is proving a great convenience to them. With the exception of distributing mail to a regular postoffice business is done. Money orders are cashed and issued, letters registered, parcels weighed, stamped, insured and sent, stamps, card envelopes sold even thrift stamps and war savings stamps can be had in this department."

"A further service we added in the last three months is a notary public office and good use is made of this department especially during these days of questionnaires."

DISPATCH WANT ADS PAY.

**ALICE BRADY**

"HER SILENT SACRIFICE"

SELECT PICTURES

At the Best Tomorrow

Mufflers and Scarfs  
are so Fascinating

BY MARGARET MASON.  
(Written for the United Press)

As Belinda wound her muffler  
Beneath her pretty chin  
A gallant young lieutenant found  
She'd wound his heart right in.

New York, Jan. 4.—The mufflers and scarfs are so fascinating this season I'll be bound you just can't help but be wrapped up in 'em.

They are made of every material from chiffon to velvet and duvetyn and in every color but all and every one have one feature in common—they are inevitably touched up with yarn and worsted embroidery. Whether they are lavishly ornamented and embellished with worsted fruits flowers or simply edged around with a button hole stitch of hette yarn is a mere matter of taste. Some are finished at the ends with a fringe or tassels of yarn and some boast little bobbing pompoms of the worsted.

One cunning model with a little close hat to match is of purple duvetyn lined with cerise chiffon. It is buttoned holed around its edges with cerise yarn and the ends are finished with three little cerise pompoms like cherries dangling from green yarn stems. The little hat which is put together with cerise yarn fagotting has an adorable bunch of the yarn pompom cherries perched piquantly on top. Worn in juxtaposition to a pair of cherry lips this fetching muffler and hat should be fruitful of great possibilities. When a skating bag of the purple duvetyn finished at the bottom with replica of the hat and muffler cherries accompanied this set for a turn on a congealed surface surely he would be a poor skate indeed who would not find intoxicating the taking of a cherry bounce over the ice.

Most gorgeous and reminiscent of Venetian and Florentine medieval splendors are the velvet mufflers embroidered with yarn and gilt threads banded in galleon and encrusted with beads. Either odd turbans and hats or ornate bags in like motives as the mufflers go with them for all the mufflers seem to have an aversion to traveling alone and insist on a hat or a bag companion piece.

The chiffon mufflers made of three thicknesses of different colored gauze are caught at the edges with a button holeing of worsted and often have a quaint little nosegay of yarn flowers to fasten them snugly to a smart shoulder. The more barbaric and primitive the color combinations of these chiffon conceits the more dashing.

For pale pink personalities however and pastel tinted blondes these scarves developed in three shades of green, gradations of rose, pink and flesh or purple, lavender and wisteria are lovely.

Male mufflers offer fascinations almost as manifold as the feminine scarves. The imported knitted silk ones in smart combinations of black and white or black and grey or in exquisitely combined colored Roman Stripe effects are irresistible. They are wide and yet so fluffy and soft that they crush up to almost nothing, weight like thistle down and yet keep the most cold blooded masculine as warm as toast. The really finest ones come from Switzerland and are made by a secret process that up-to-date no other muffler producing nation can ferret out or reproduce.

The made-in-America knitted silk ones in regimental colors though not as fine and light as the imported ones are most attractive.

For evening wear both the imported and domestic brands in white, pearl grey and white and grey with a hair line of black are stunning with a smart monogram on one end.

More bulky but snug and comfy are those mufflers of angora and other wools. In dull greys, tans and blues with borders of gay colored stripes they are most practicable and serviceable.

But the dashing boys in khaki Sammies, Jackies all agree. The best of all the mufflers. That this season e're will see are ones that knitting mothers, Sisters, wives and sweethearts true are fashioning from worsted. Whak! grey and navy blue. For though they look just knitted wool.

Each fighting ladies knows They're made of woven heart aches, Each burning tear that flows Makes there a pearl within a purl, With brave smiles effed through And every stitch just full of love And hope and longing too.

## Artificial Indigo.

Chemists discovered by research a process of making artificial indigo, but it was only when a chemist broke in the solution that he found out how to make the indigo up enough to be commercially valuable. The mercury so increased the yield of a certain acid that the process was cheapened sufficiently to make artificial indigo less expensive than natural indigo.

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BRainerd MINN.

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## At the Best Tomorrow

In "Her Silent Sacrifice," which will be shown at the Best theatre tomorrow, Alice Brady, the most recent acquisition to the Select ranks, emerges from peasant's chrysalis into the glorified wings and trappings of a young Parisian butterfly, and the gowns with which she expresses her transformation are a triumph of Bendel's art.

No expense has been spared by Miss Brady in the matter of clothes, and her wardrobe for this picture alone represents an expenditure of some thirty-five hundred dollars. The piece de resistance in the collection is a lovely afternoon gown of sand-colored chiffon trimmed with Kolinsky. No note of color breaks the harmony of tan and brown and the dress is draped in exquisitely simple lines. A crushed belt of the chiffon is finished at the side with a sash of the material ending in a easy silken tassel matching the goods, and extravagant bands of fur are laid on at neck and hem. With this Miss Brady wears a large picture hat, its under brim softened by feathers. This costume cost her nine hundred dollars.

## Simple Cure for Hiccoughs.

Dr. P. B. Aquilino of Buenos Aires reports in the Semana Medica a case of severe hiccoughs that resisted all treatment for 24 hours, but that yielded at once when the man's eyeballs were pressed.

## Perseverance.

The tendency to persevere, to persist in spite of hindrances, discouragements and impossibilities—it is this that in all things distinguishes the strong man from the weak.

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By Ingersoll &amp; Wieland

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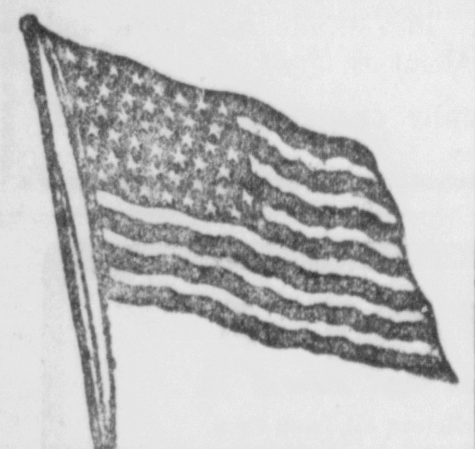
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Of your land and my land  
Safe within its folds.  
Your heart and my heart  
Beat quicker at the sight;  
Sun-kissed and wind-kissed,  
The red, the blue and white!  
The one flag—the great flag—  
The flag for me and you—  
Glorified the whole world wide—  
The red, the white, the blue!

There are 1,500,000 eggless farms in the United States according to statistics. With 200 hens on every one of these farms and 100 eggs from every hen the increased production in food supplies for the coming year would be enormous. Uncle Sam wants to double the production of poultry and eggs this year and every farmer can do his bit toward winning the war in this respect.

Morrison county is boasting of two of the best roadways in the state to be completed this year, one running from the Benton to the Crow Wing county line and from Pierz to Swanville. With every county in the state taking pride in their road systems Minnesota will soon be in the front ranks regarding roads, as she is in everything else.

The Hill City News suggests that G. G. Hartley step into the shoes of Senator Knute Nelson when the latter is ready to retire, and the suggestion is worthy of consideration. Senator Nelson, however, will serve one more term in the senate of the United States if the influence of his friends, and he has no enemies, is of any avail.

Heading an item "Real Money Better," the Baudette Region comments on the long drawn out trial which took place in this county as follows: "Koochiching county got a judgment of twenty-four thousand dollars against the contractors of road 24, but thirty cents in real money would make a bigger bulge in the treasury."

The suggestion that the new issue postage stamps should carry the picture of Susan B. Anthony may be taken seriously—by the ladies. But when universal suffrage comes there won't be so much camouflage regarding the part woman will take in the regulation of the affairs of this nation.

The St. Cloud Times is taking much timely and commendable interest in the selection of republican candidates for public office and the influence of that rock ribbed democratic organ will be appreciated. We trust the republican appreciation by the Times editor will endure.

## Electric Fan Attachment.

An auxiliary set of wire net blades in a new electric fan are driven by the air moved by the regular blades and pass through a tank of water, vaporizing it so that it cools and purifies the air of a room in which the fan is used.

## New Shoe Cleaner.

A combined scraper and brush, concealed when not in use in the running board of an automobile, has been invented for the purpose of preventing people with soiled shoes from carrying dirt into the car.

## Most Important Bees.

The most important of the true bees are the honey bee and the bumble bee. Next to these are the cuckoo bee, carpenter bee and the mason, leaf-cutting and potter bees.

## Greatness of Small Things.

Perform the small things that are unseen, and they will bring other and greater things for you to perform.

MINNESOTA  
AUTOMOBILES

Statistics on the Industry Published by "The Farmer" Publication in St. Paul

## CAR RECORD IN BRAINERD

79 Cars Here in 1912, 98 in 1913, 197 in 1914, 276 in 1915, 373 in 1916, 544 Now

A pamphlet on the automobile census in Minnesota has been published by "The Farmer" publication of St. Paul and gives some interesting statistics. The Farmer's eighth annual census of the automobiles in Minnesota shows that the trends in automobile buying in the Northwest which first became distinctly noticeable five to six years ago are becoming more defined each year.

It not only proves that farmers are becoming a more important factor in automobile buying with each succeeding season, but also that the total sales to all farmers in Minnesota today are considerably greater than the total sales to all other more cars in 1917 than in any pre-census of people in the state.

This 1917 census also establishes the surprising fact that although manufacturers, distributors, and dealers, generally, considered 1917 a poor year for their sales, they really sold more cars in 1917 than in any preceding year.

In each case, the town which is situated in a good farming community shows a correspondingly larger number of automobile registrations.

Records given show cars owned in Brainerd. Its population in 1910 is given as \$526. The cars owned November 1 of each year follows:

1912	79
1913	98
1914	197
1915	276
1916	373
1917	544

Brainerd's industries of the vicinity are set down as lumbering and mining. Agriculture is now taking a bigger place in the activities of the vicinity than lumbering, and it is farming that is causing the increase in the number of cars purchased, coupled with the improvements of roads in the county.

The town of Bemidji, credited in 1910 with 5,999 people, is primarily a lumbering center. It has developed also a number of other manufacturing and wholesale industries, but in farming its development is very limited. Bemidji shows, in 1917, only 391 cars.

The town of New Ulm, credited in 1910 with 5,648 population, is situated in a good farming region. New Ulm's manufacturing development is limited, but New Ulm shows a registration of 771 cars in 1917—almost twice the number of registrations from Bemidji, a town of similar size. The farmer-owned cars about New Ulm account for its lead in registration figures.

Fergus Falls and Austin, each with a population of approximately 7000 each in good farming country each show automobile registrations of a little over 800; while Eveleth, larger than either of the former towns, but located in a mining country, where there is no farming, shows only 226 cars. The total number of cars in Minnesota October 31, 1917, was 158,035, an increase of 39,086 over last year's figures.

Do Brainerd automobile men realize the value of advertising and the need of reaching farmer buyers? The county which won the championship in potatoes at the potato show in Brainerd will buy more cars in 1918.

BRAINERD DISPATCH  
STORIES OF ITS  
ADVERTISERS GIVEN

They breathe optimism in every line. The list will be added to daily. These have favored the Dispatch with accounts of business done in 1917:

1. H. F. Michael Co.
2. Slipp-Gruenhagen Co.
3. H. W. Linnemann.
4. Geo. F. Murphy.
5. W. J. Hall.
6. W. E. Lively.
7. Bye & Peterson.
8. Brockman Fur Co.
9. Mahlum Lumber Co.
10. George Johnson, Electric Garage.
11. Garvey's Restaurant.
12. First National Bank.
13. Sherlund Company.
14. Brainerd State Bank.
15. Tanner Mill Co.
16. Brainerd Model Laundry
17. Brainerd Theatre & Amusement Co.
18. Carlson & Son.
19. B. Kaatz & Son.

OFFICERS TAKE  
SUPPOSED SPY

Arrested at Norfolk While Trying To Blow Up Army Aviation Magazine.

## THOUGHT ACTIVE AGENT

Documents Found Indicate Connection With Bernstorff and Capt. Boy. Ed—Others May Be Incriminated.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 15.—Walter Sporemann, suspected of being an active figure in plots concocted here by Captain Boy-Ed, the former German military attaché, and believed to have been a captain in the German army, has been taken to Baltimore by naval intelligence officers.

The alleged spy was arrested while attempting to blow up a magazine at the army aviation field under construction near Newport News.

The prisoner will be turned over to officers of the Department of Justice at Baltimore for a hearing. So far the only charge formally lodged against him is understood to be that he is a dangerous enemy alien.

Others Persons Incriminated. Documents found on his person and in his rooms in Baltimore tend to reveal his connection with Boy-Ed and former German Ambassador Bernstorff and to incriminate persons at Washington, Baltimore and other cities. It is understood a number of arrests may be made in a day or two.

Documents found on the prisoner show that he began his work some time before the United States entered the war. In one letter from Boy-Ed there is said to have been reference to \$90,000 Boy-Ed advanced Sporemann.

Posed as Army Officer. Officers followed Sporemann night and day through several cities and to at least two army camps. Frequently, it is said, the prisoner posed as an officer of the United States army. Finally he visited the great army and navy base on Hampton Roads, but before that a young naval agent, posing as a friend of Germany, had made himself acquainted with Sporemann. The officer followed his man in Newport News and finally to the aviation field where the arrest was made.

## THIRD STORM FOR CHICAGO

Sweeping Down As Recovery From Second Is Being Made.

Chicago, Jan. 15.—Chicago, just recovering from the most severe blizzard in 50 years, is gripped by a coal famine that closed the blast furnaces of South Chicago, shut up the world's two greatest packing plants, and threatened another tieup off the railroads.

The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul issued orders to division superintendents that every possible train be cancelled to save fuel. The Armour and Swift packing plants closed and put every employee to work clearing the tracks of snow so that coal and cattle could be moved.

Meanwhile the weather forecaster issued a warning that another heavy gale was sweeping toward the city, leaving in its wake snow-covered states throughout the Southwest.

## MAJ. GARDNER DIES AT CAMP

Former Congressman Succumbs to Pneumonia.

Washington, Jan. 15.—Maj. Augustus P. Gardner of Hamilton, Mass., died at Camp Wheeler base hospital after a short illness from pneumonia.

After continuous service of 15 years as representative from the Sixth Congressional district of Massachusetts, Major Gardner resigned when war was declared to enter the army.

Major Gardner was commissioned a colonel, but at his request was reduced to major in order that he might be sent to France.

## RELEASES 1,600,000 GERMANS

Slav Action Permits Wholesale Transfers to West.

London, Jan. 15.—Russian withdrawal from the war relieves 1,600,000 Germans for use on the Western front, according to Brig. Gen. Sir A. C. Geddes, minister of national service, in a "man-power" statement to the house of commons.

"It is necessary for Britain to recruit forthwith 450,000 men from civil life," the minister added. "It has been decided not to introduce compulsory service into Ireland."

## Wholesale Coal Seizure Planned.

Washington, Jan. 15.—Wholesale confiscation of coal from industries in sufficient quantities to meet domestic requirements has been decided upon by the fuel administration it is announced. This action it was said, was made necessary because of the emergency caused by the freight congestion in the East and prospects of a fortnight of extremely cold weather. Seizure of coal will affect less essential factories and even war industries may be forced to curtail consumption in favor of household needs.

IS TOO MUCH FOR  
ONE DEPARTMENT

WORK OF QUARTERMASTER CORPS LIKELY TO BE DIVIDED UP SOON.

## WOULD MAKE FOR EFFICIENCY

Senator Martin Says Congressional Leader's Sole Duty Now Is to Expedite War Measures—Forestry Service Doing Its Bit.

By ARTHUR W. DUNN.

Washington.—As the war progresses it will no doubt become imperative to divide one of the army departments into three or four. The quartermaster's department of the army now covers many functions of war. A few years ago the commissary and pay departments of the army were consolidated with the quartermaster's department. It was an ideal condition in time of peace, but not much use in time of war. A quartermaster is supposed to look after quarters for the army. But he has much more to do. He is master of army transportation, purchases tents, clothing, fuel, and since the consolidation, all other supplies except arms, and pays the troops besides. It is a mighty large contract and it is not surprising that the quartermaster corps found itself swamped when it undertook to provide everything needful for an army of 1,500,000 men while heretofore it supplied 100,000 men.

Quite likely we will see this quartermaster's department expanded into different divisions, one of transportation, one of camps and camp equipment, one of clothing for troops, and one of food supplies for troops. Each division under a competent officer, who had become impressed with the responsibility of the job imposed upon him, would greatly help in getting troops ready for the front and would also avoid some of the criticisms which have been made about the army camps and the supplies.

## Non-Partisan Investigations.

So far no one can say there has been partisanship in any of the investigations of the war work of the government. While sharp and pointed questions have been asked, and implied criticisms made by senators in queries or comments, these come from men of both parties. It is observed that in the military committee Democrats like Chamberlain, Hitchcock and McKellar ask as pointed questions as Republicans like New, Wadsworth and Frelinghuysen.

Will government control of the railroads improve the mail service? There has been quite a lot of complaint about the service for several months past, and blame has been placed alternately upon the mail service of the railroads and that of the department. Each has asserted that the other was largely responsible for shortcomings. Now that the government operates the roads there can be no divided responsibility. If the railroads have failed in the past the government can remedy the trouble.

Postmaster Burleson will have this problem to work out. The probabilities are that the new order of things will make it much more difficult for the postal officials than before. They not only will give orders to have the service improved, but they will have to see that the government obeys the orders.

## A Leader's Duty.

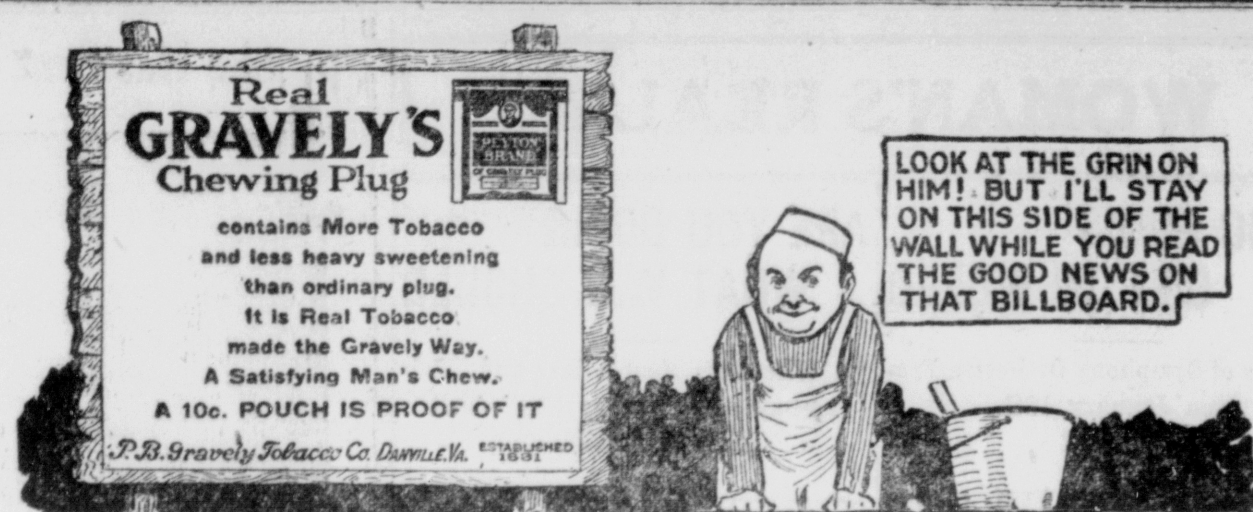
Senator Martin of Virginia is the leader of the senate, but his main activity is in being chairman of the committee on appropriations. "There is only one thing for a leader to do these days," remarked Senator Martin, "that is to keep the business of the senate moving as fast as possible and get the war legislation passed. And about all the committee on appropriations can do is to rush the money bills which the heads of the departments want for carrying on the war. Everything else in congress is secondary to the needs of the government while it is at war."

By giving particular attention to grazing cattle, the forest service of the government is doing its bit to help. The government wants meat and meat grows on cattle properly grazed. It would be a good thing if the whole force of the forestry service could be utilized for increasing the herds of cattle on the national domain.

In these times it might be well for government officials to make an effort to save in the matter of publications and printing. All the government reports are as large or larger than ever before, whether or not their work pertains to the war. Much time is lost in labor and materials are sacrificed to make these reports. It is also true that many of the non-war bureaus and departments might devote their time to war duties without any sacrifice, as the work they are doing might be postponed to more propitious times.

## What People Read.

"Such a condition has never existed before," said the head of one of the department store book counters. "People are not reading fiction, they are reading war books, and would you believe it, poetry. We sell ten war books to one book of fiction and even then those preferred are stories about the war. The newspapers are publishing just enough of the war books to whet the appetite and make a constant demand for war literature."

ASK FOR POINTERS  
ON AMENDMENTS

PEOPLE OF THE COUNTRY WILL WISH INFORMATION ABOUT THEIR RATIFICATION.

## LEGISLATURES DO IT ALL

Senator Borah Always Looks for Jokers in Legislation—War Has Brought Prosperity to Munition Dealers but Not Others.

By ARTHUR W. DUNN.

Washington.—Within a short time there will begin and continue for several years, an agitation about the processes of ratifying Constitutional amendments. It comes about on account of the recently submitted prohibition amendment and the suffrage amendment granting women the right to vote. The people interested in these subjects will want to know something about them, though, strange to say, the people have nothing whatever to do with their ratification or rejection. The legislatures of the several states pass upon these amendments. The legislature may or may not represent the sentiment of a state upon the Constitutional amendment, but if the legislature says yes it commits the state to the amendment.

Probably this is a serious defect in the Constitution. It might have been provided that the people of each state should vote upon any change in their fundamental law. But that was one of the mistakes of the fathers. They thought the people would be more eager to change the Constitution than the congress or the legislatures, when the reverse is true.

## Some Hard Facts.

In regard to ratifying amendments there are a few hard facts: When a state once votes to ratify it cannot reverse its action. That affirmative action stands forever no matter what is done in the way of reconsideration and reversal. Any state may reject the amendment time after time, but it makes no difference as to final action if that action should be affirmative. The rejection of either prohibition or woman suffrage is not final; never is final until the end of time. The amendments can be brought forward in every legislature for the next hundred years. There is some sort of an amendment that has been pending a century.

It is true that in regard to the prohibition amendment an attempt has been made to limit the time in which it can be ratified to seven years, but good lawyers do not believe such a limit can be made by congress, no more than can congress say that the amendment shall not take effect until one year after ratification. The manner in which the Constitution can be amended is prescribed in no uncertain form and nothing is said about these legislative restrictions. They will never be allowed if there is a test case. So it may be taken for granted that the two amendments most recently submitted will continue before the legislatures of the various states until they are ratified.

## Search for Jokers.

There are a number of men in congress who make it their business to search for jokers in all legislation and when they find what looks suspicious to turn on the light of inquiry and criticism. Such a man is Senator Borah of Idaho who makes it a point to know what he is voting on if he can get senators to explain doubtful points. Failing in that, the Idaho senator votes against the legislation.

Although the war brought prosperity to those in this country who had munitions and other supplies to sell to the warring nations, to most people it brought distress on account of the high prices. That was particularly the case of consumers. Reports received in Washington from Denmark, Sweden, Norway and Holland, show that they, too, are suffering on account of lack of food, fuel and other necessities of life. The war does not seem to benefit anybody save the makers of war supplies. Probably there is a strong feeling for peace in those countries.

## MAY CHANGE ROUTE

Engineer Has Plan to Stop Floods on Mississippi River.

Would Provide Shorter Outlet to Sea by Using Atchafalaya to Carry Silt-Bearing Water.

The levee system on the Mississippi river from Cairo to the Gulf of Mexico was intended to protect the cultivated lands adjacent to the river. This system has resulted in building up the bed of the river from year to year by reason of the fact that all of the tributary streams running into the Mississippi river have greater velocity, and consequently sediment brought into the main river, whose current is slower, is deposited in the river between Cairo and the Gulf. This is the main cause of the flood line going higher each year with a given rainfall.

Now, the most practical and cheapest remedy for this is to make a shorter outlet to the sea for this vast volume of silt-bearing water, and this outlet is via the Atchafalaya river, the source of which is near the mouth of the Red river, where it empties into the Mississippi, writes M. F. Jefferds in Popular Mechanics Magazine. The Atchafalaya river runs straight to the tidewater of the Gulf, a distance of about 100 miles, whereas, via the Mississippi river the distance from the mouth of the Red river to the Gulf is 200 miles. The fall of the Mississippi river from the mouth of the Red river to the Gulf is about one-tenth of a foot per mile; of the Atchafalaya about three-tenths of a foot to the mile.

The increase in velocity from the mouth of the Red river to the Gulf via the Atchafalaya would probably lower the grade line of high water to two-tenths of a foot per mile, which would reduce the high-water line for that point (mouth of Red river), 20 feet or more. This reduction in high-water mark would probably extend as far north as Memphis, or even Cairo; thus it can be seen that the levee as now built from Memphis to the Gulf would be of ample height and strength to give safety to the adjacent country for probably 100 years or more.

Would this improvement leave New Orleans an inland city? No. For the slowing down of the velocity of the water in the Mississippi from the mouth of the Red river to the Gulf via the old channels would result in all the sediment being carried to sea via the Atchafalaya, leaving the old channel a clear-water channel, which could be maintained at all times by a little dredging such as is necessary now at the jetties. The railroads entering New Orleans could then bridge the Mississippi river there and would profit in the long run by avoiding the flooding of their tracks.

The jetties at the mouth of the Mississippi could be dredged to a depth of 40 to 50 feet and remain so, for no sediment would be going out that way to fill them up. The high-water line at New Orleans would hardly exceed ten feet above low water.

The low-water line at New Orleans being only one foot above sea level, with a depth of 50 to 60 feet of water, it can be seen that not only would New Orleans be secure from floods in the future, but that the largest vessels in the world could enter its harbor.

The Mississippi river, from the jetties to the mouth of the Red river, would be a canal, navigable at all times, with a little dredging, perhaps, between Baton Rouge and the Red river, and all that rich country on either side of the river from the mouth of the Red river to the Gulf would be absolutely secure from floods.

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## TRAIN STALLED HEAVY BLIZZARD

George D. LaBar and Party Were 66 Hours Traveling From Chicago to Minneapolis

### 18 BELOW ZERO REIGNED

Engine Left to Aid Train Ahead and Then Died, No Steam in Cars, Plumbing Burst

Mr. and Mrs. George D. LaBar and Miss Ella Mitchell have returned from a trip to Chicago which was an experience not soon forgotten, for they were marooned in a raging blizzard thirty miles out of Chicago and it took their train 66 hours to travel from Chicago to Minneapolis.

They left Chicago Friday night and six miles from Aurora stuck in the heavy drifts. A freight and two passenger trains ahead blocked the track. The engine of their train went to the relief of the train ahead and died.

With no engine, steam died out in the train and the temperature became as cold as outside, 18 below. So fiercely did the wind blow that the rear brakeman took 15 minutes shifts to protect the rear end of the train.

There was a diner, but no fire in that or any other part of the train. The intense cold soon burst all the plumbing and water pipes. There were many women and three or four children on board. All accepted the situation philosophically.

Old timers said it was the worst storm in that section in the past 60 years. On going to Chicago Mr. LaBar and party missed the first storm. But leaving the city they rode right into the teeth of the second blizzard.

## BRAINERD AND SOUTHERN LINE

Farmers Telephone Company of 80 Phone Users Vote to Continue Northwestern Service

### THE OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

Northwestern Co. Has Crew of Ten at Work on South Thirteenth Street Improvements

One of the largest representations of farmers ever held in the vicinity of Brainerd was the annual meeting of the Brainerd and Southern Telephone company, a company comprised of eighty farm telephone users. There were sixty-eight farmers present. A rousing and enthusiastic time was recorded.

The main issue brought out at the meeting was the discussion of whether this company was to connect with the Tri-State company or to continue to retain the service of the Northwestern Telephone company, which service they have had since organizing.

The Tri-State Telephone company was represented by H. F. Wilder and F. J. McDermott, Minneapolis, and the local manager, A. M. Opsahl. The Northwestern Telephone Company was represented by W. R. Johnson, Minneapolis, and Fred Speechley, St. Cloud. After two hours discussion in which the relative advantages of each company was explained to the farmers, a vote was taken to decide which company was to connect the farm lines to Brainerd. The vote was practically unanimous in favor of the Northwestern service, there being only one dissenting vote.

The officers elected for the ensuing year were: President, Theo. Hart; vice-president, Walter Caughey; secretary-treasurer, T. H. Puetz.

After election of officers, a resolution was adopted by the farm company to group the different farms on telephone lines so as to form colonies. Doing this will relieve a great deal of double switching as neighbors will be on one line instead of on different lines.

The Northwestern Telephone company have a crew of ten men working on 13th street south constructing lines which will eliminate the noise on the five lines, now leading out of the city on this street and which connect with the Brainerd & Southern company. When this work is done, it is said, all lines will be quiet and service will be so much more satisfactory. The Brainerd & Southern company have decided to have their whole telephone system overhauled and repaired.

The farmers are getting more and more progressive every year. The days of just telephone connection is past. The farmer wants the best there is in telephone service and is willing to construct his line in such a manner as suggested by experienced telephone men to gain this end. The Brainerd & Southern farmers are to be congratulated upon their progressiveness and alertness.

## NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH

D. S. Robinson, Prominent Lumberman, Unwittingly Drives Team Onto Weak Ice

### FALL INTO PELICAN LAKE

Alone and in the Dark Robinson Extricates Floundering Team and Sleigh From Lake

D. S. Robinson, prominent lumberman of Brainerd, had a narrow escape from death when he drove his team onto poor ice and went into Pelican lake at night.

In the dark and unaided he worked two hours, brought team and sled safely to shore and then drove through bitterly cold winds and snow to farmers where team and man recovered.

In all the annals of pioneer days his deed outshines any of them.

## NEW LAW ON CITIZENSHIP

Attention of Applicants Called to Decision of Court by Clerk of the District Court

### SEVEN YEARS IS TOO LONG

No Applicant Can Obtain Papers When Declaration of Intention More Than 7 Years Old

No applicant for citizenship in the United States will be permitted in the future to obtain his papers of naturalization after his declaration of intention has become more than seven years old. This is the gist of an opinion rendered by the supreme court of the United States, according to a letter received by Clerk of the District Court W. A. M. Johnstone.

The letter comes from the naturalization bureau and it is stated by the naturalization chief that the supreme court rendered the opinion and that hereafter any persons applying for citizenship in this county must have their declarations of intention less than seven years old.

Formerly the old law was applied but it is stated now that the law which became effective June 29, 1906, must be used.

The naturalization chief writes: "Your particular attention is called to the fact that the supreme court of the United States handed down an opinion holding that no declaration of intention executed either under the new law is valid for naturalization purposes if it is seven years old."

### PEOPLES CHURCH

Summary of the Week's Activities at the Congregational Church

The following events make up the program of the Peoples Congregational church, this week:

The Ladies' Aid society will meet in the social rooms of the church Wednesday afternoon, January 16, Mrs. William Betts and Mrs. W. C. Rasch, hostesses. Lunch served promptly at four o'clock. All ladies are invited.

Bible study and prayer service on Wednesday night, at 7:30 o'clock. Lesson, "Jesus at Work," Mark 1:21-34. Choir rehearsal immediately following Bible study.

Rev. Crist's class of young men will meet in the church parlor at 8:30 o'clock, Wednesday night, to organize, etc. A full attendance is desired.

The Clover Leaf club will meet at the home of Miss Marion Templeton, 614 Fourth avenue, Thursday night, January 17. Visitors are welcome.

The Rosebud club will be entertained Friday evening, January 18, by Miss Mabel Apgar and Miss Ethel Betts, at the home of Miss Apgar, 119 Third Avenue. Come and bring a friend with you.

### ROLL OF HONOR

Dr. P. L. Berge, of the firm of Thabes & Berge, left this afternoon for Fort Reilly, Kansas. He has accepted a commission as first lieutenant in the medical corps. The best wishes of his many friends accompany the doctor. As H. P. Dunn expressed it: "Dr. Berge is of the salt of the earth. He never spoke ill of any man." The doctor shook hands with many at the station and in a little aside to the reporter said he was going on a long hunting trip. Which indicates that some of the Berches are due to topple over.

DISPATCH WANT ADS PAY

## REPORT SECRETARY CHAMBER COMMERCE

Fred T. Lincoln Reviews in Concise Manner Activities of the Organization

### FOR COMMUNITY BETTERMENT

Vital and Unexpected Emergencies Tested Efficiency of Individuals and the Chamber

The Dispatch publishes the annual report of Secretary Fred T. Lincoln of the Chamber of Commerce which sets forth concisely the efforts made and results accomplished in community betterment. Mr. Lincoln states:

January 9, 1918. To the Brainerd Chamber of Commerce, Gentlemen:

The following report for the year 1917 is respectfully submitted: Vital and unexpected emergencies test the efficiency of individuals and their organizations.

The capacity of men and the value of their services to a community become best known when measured by the scale of actual achievement.

A Chamber of Commerce is an intangible body and its accomplishments and success depend upon the activity of its members as a whole. The greater the collective effort, the more successful the results and reward.

The entrance of the nation into the world war served to awaken the latent energies of many a heretofore modest, unassuming citizen and afforded the opportunity for the demonstration of abilities not previously called into action.

Community organizations, such as the Chamber of Commerce of Brainerd, were put to the acid test, their worth to the public either made apparent or their impracticability equally emphasized.

The year 1917, now history, has been the most trying one in the annals of this organization, not alone because of unusual demands made upon it and increased responsibilities, but owing to conditions existing in the natural order of its conduct.

In July, a large percentage of the three-year contracts of members expired. The nation was at war, no time was afforded in which to conduct a membership campaign. The demands upon the pockets of the public doubled, while the civic and financial responsibilities of this organization multiplied daily. Revenues decreased in harmony with the prevailing tendency towards retrenchment and at the same time the Chamber was made the centralized body for practically all activities relating to the community's part in the war and civic matters requiring the attention of our men of affairs.

In the preparation of this report, there have naturally been omitted many accomplishments of a confidential nature which really are a part of the program of a civic body. The Chamber is a service organization for the whole community, whether member or non-member, unselfish in its promulgation of community ideals and movements and actuated by the ambitions of men and women with the broader vision of life and their duty to the home town.

It is not the purpose of this report to present many details of the program of work during the past year, but to select such activities as seem to be of the most interest and paragraph the same for ready perusal. Committee reports will dwell more at length upon matters referred to them and a general summary for the year seems sufficient to acquaint the public with that which has been accomplished by the organization.

### Industrial.

During the year 1917, an unusual number of manufacturers seeking locations were considered by the Chamber of Commerce. The work entailed in the investigation of such applicants is considerable, must be thorough and carefully conducted. Many of them demanded a bonus and others would have unquestionably proven a failure. The list of prospects has been carefully sifted down and such as are yet to be decided upon appear to be worthy of further consideration. Brainerd, as a city of possibilities, is becoming more and more widely recognized and it is a foregone conclusion that eventually, desirable and practical manufacturing industries will be added to those already successfully operating here.

In two instances, the Chamber has secured tenants for empty buildings adapted to manufacture, which had been idle for some time. The organization of an association to finance infant industries has been considered by a committee of the Chamber during the year and it is probable that it will later be perfected.

Factory sites have been listed by the Chamber and to ownership of the same with all data necessary is on file and will be available when the election of new industries is considered. The scarcity of labor during the year caused the Chamber to name a special committee to aid in following the demands both in the shops and on the farms. Some assistance was given shops and factories in this respect although the labor was of such a transient nature as to make such help as was furnished through this avenue not of permanent nature.

Civic and Community Work.

Investigated plan of handling garbage in other cities and recommended to the city council a plan considered practical for Brainerd and which was accepted.

Endorsed the plan of a Retail Market and appropriated \$85.00 for the same.

Investigated the reports that garbage was being dumped near the city limits, notified proper officials and warning was given.

Took up with the city council report that remains of fire victims were still in the ruins of the Antlers Hotel.

Search was made without result. Voted \$20.00 for the G. A. R. Memorial day. The same not used.

Named a committee to raise funds for a baseball club.

Organized a Patriotic League which was later disbanded, because of the establishment of Public Safety Commission in the county.

## SEBERGER RESIGNS LINCOLN PRESIDENT

Brainerd Man Succeeds to the Presidency of the League of Minnesota Community Clubs

### FORMER PRESIDENT RESIGNING

League is Made up of Some Thirty Leading Commercial Clubs and Community Organizations

Notice has been received by Fred T. Lincoln, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, from E. L. Bennett, executive secretary of the League of Minnesota Community Clubs, advising him that owing to the resignation of President P. J. Seberger of St. Cloud, the mantle falls upon Lincoln as executive head of the League. Mr. Lincoln was active in the organization of the League a year ago and was elected vice president at that time. Mr. Seberger resigns because of other duties which will prevent his giving the time to the position he feels that he should.

The League is made up of some thirty leading commercial clubs and community organizations of the state. A meeting will be called early in the spring to plan for active work among community clubs of the state and to co-operate with the government in all activities in which cities and localities are expected to participate incident to the war and the reconstruction period certain to follow after it is over.

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Inaugurated a plan whereby vacant lots in the city were converted into garden tracts. Furnished free seeds for the same. Assisted needy persons in securing tracts for gardens.

Took up the matter of better fire protection with the city council. Recommendations of the committee embodied in the mayor's address in the spring.

Named a committee to investigate housing conditions in Brainerd and to assist new arrivals in securing satisfactory homes.

More than two hundred meetings have been held in the Chamber by a purely civic character during the year. Free use of the rooms, light and services of an attendant afforded these meetings.

Took up with the automobile club the matter of replacing "Turn to the Right" signs at street intersections. Arranged with local theatre management for 4-Minute Men talks during campaigns recommended by the government.

Paid bills amounting to \$17.82 for the municipal fire risk established by the Chamber in 1917, and for which \$166.70 was paid in December of 1916.

Guaranteed the sum of \$250.00 for the Mid-Winter Carnival, raised this amount and assisted in the details of the same. Paid sum in addition of \$30.00 to close up affairs of the carnival.

Established a community waste paper depot for benefit of the general public, handled approximately sixty tons of waste paper, bringing to Brainerd nearly \$600.00 in cash.

Co-operated with the Associated Charities in relieving destitute families.

Warned the public against itinerant solicitors and fake advertising schemes, investigated the same and declined many permission to solicit in Brainerd.

Entertained a number of prominent speakers at the Chamber of Commerce rooms, affording free lectures to the public. Among them were: C. J. Hoag, proportional representation advocate; Dr. M. L. Burton, president of the State University; Mr. Joseph Chapman, banker of Minneapolis; Mr. Frank Wilson, community expert, and others.

Conducted prize essay contest among the students of the public schools, with satisfactory results.

Organized a Chamber of Commerce Fire and Drump Corps for publicity purposes.

Conducted club dinners for business men and members and ladies held as social features of the Chamber.

Co-operated with the city council in securing suitable offices for the M. & L. railway company force immediately after the N. P. depot fire.

Afforded a meeting place for and co-operated in the community's part in the following activities incident to the present war: Liberty Bond Campaign, Red Cross War Fund campaign, Y. M. C. A. War Fund campaign, Red Cross Christmas drive campaign, 4-Minute Men-4 organization, Public Safety Commission organization, Women's Auxiliary of the Public Safety Commission and Food Conservation work.

Publicity.

Distributed through the co-operation of students of the high school, several hundred copies of the Crow Wing county booklets in a wide territory over the United States.

Secured through the local press and correspondents for outside publications, many columns of desirable community publicity. Secured publication in prominent magazines and periodicals articles relating to community activities in this city, such as market days, waste paper depot and others.

Placed a comprehensive brief on the possibilities of Brainerd before the United States navy, as an applicant for consideration as a site for the government armor plate plant.

Secured publicity and recognition by bringing the Northern Minnesota Development Association headquarters to this city and the publicity incident to that organization's work in twenty-two counties and larger cities of Minnesota as well as several other states.



## Coats \$6.95 to \$9.85

In Our Basement

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Sent representatives to the following meetings which gave Brainerd prominence as a wide-awake city:

Wm. McAdoo, functions in St. Paul; League to Enforce Peace, Minneapolis; Seaside Highway meeting, Sauk Center; Black Diamond Trail meeting, Wadena, 4-Minute Men-4 meetings, Minneapolis; Northern Minnesota Development association conventions, Virginia and Bemidji and other meetings attended by representatives of different cities.

Authorized page writup of Brainerd in the Tib Official Auto Route Book.

Issued Community Bulletin which was exchanged with other commercial clubs and sent to numerous libraries and reading tables.

Conventions.

The Chamber of Commerce secured for Brainerd and entertained five big conventions during the year 1917 as follows:

Northern Minnesota Editorial association, annual tournament of the Minnesota State Sportsman's association, Minnesota Dairyman's association, Minnesota Potato Growers' association, Northern Minnesota Development association, Northern Minnesota Sheep Growers' association. In addition to these, the District Medical association and District Bankers' association, county school teachers' association and other organizations have met in Brainerd.

Retail Trade.

Inaugurated closer relationship between merchants and rural trade by free auction and market days for the farmers. The retail market has proven a great benefit for the farmers and has been favorably commented upon by them.

Merchants have united in plans of closing their business houses during conventions and public affairs as much as possible.

Liberal bargain offerings have been made to encourage the home trade spirit and with good results.

### Rural.

Meetings have been held in the Chamber of Commerce rooms for the organization of the Creamery association, Live Stock Shippers association, Farm Bureau and in fact all farm meetings of importance held in the county seat town.

Many Brainerd people attended the Long Lake community picnic and the Chamber co-operated with the farmers in entertaining Dr. M. L. Burton, president of the State University.

Negotiations taken up with commission houses to secure a potato warehouse in Brainerd, at the request of farmers.

Employment bureau to secure farm labor during busy season organized with some success.

County agent co-operated with in his activities with mutual benefit.

Farmers' Bk. rt Course held at the Chamber of Commerce rooms. The Chamber assisted in financing the expenses of the same.

Local business men, as far as possible, attended farmers meetings both in the city and in the country.

Public rest room maintained for the farmers' wives and families in the city hall.

Chamber of Commerce rooms always available for the entertainment and accommodation of rural visitors.

Legislation.

The Chamber has been active and instrumental in the following legislation:

Opposed pernicious bill providing for tonnage tax on iron ore at considerable expense and with success, same being defeated.

Opposed the tract index bill which would compel counties with a population of 125,000 to establish expensive and unnecessary index system in register of deed's office.

Supported the bill providing for a division of the gross earnings tax of railroads.

Secured through our representative an appropriation of \$400 for Crow

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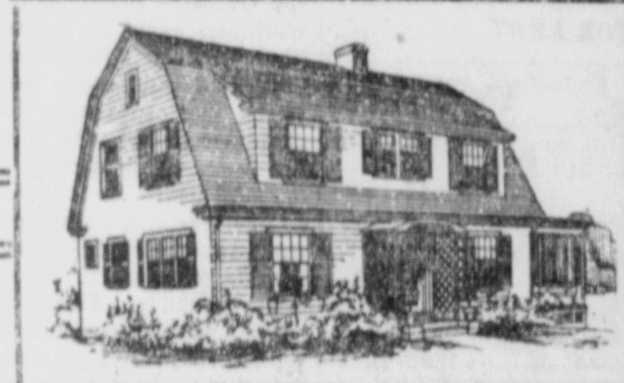
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## Lakeside Lumber Co.

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Wing county for poultry association prizes, under certain provisions.

Endorsed standard time and daylight-saving plan.

Kept close scrutiny on legislation affecting Brainerd and this section of the state and co-operated with our representatives in re the same.

### Good Roads.

Supported the establishment of a rural mail route on highway number 7 necessary to make possible the federal aid of \$36,000.00 for completing that highway. Co-operated with the commissioners in re the same.

Raised a fund of \$1,500.00 to bridge the narrows at Gull Lake which will mean a big accommodation to the farmers of that section and open an avenue of new trade for Brainerd.

Voted \$50.00 for the improvement of the Mill street road.

Secured assurances from county commissioners that they would appropriate a reasonable sum for road signs, to be located on highways leading to Brainerd, in the spring.

Raised \$75.00 for improvement of Kingwood street to fill across ravine. (CONCLUDED TOMORROW)

### NOTICE

Owners of lots suitable for creamery site are requested to list them with County Agent E. A. Colquhoun before Saturday, Jan. 19. Give size, location and price in sealed statement.

18812 E. A. COLQUHOUN.

### U. C. T. NOTICE

There will be a regular meeting of Brainerd Council No. 345, U. C. T., at Elks hall Saturday evening, Jan. 19. Meeting called at 8 P. M.

18912 G. W. MAHOOD, Sec'y.

### Fee to Waste.

"Are you a tramp?" "No, mum, I'm a food conserver. Have you got any old food you don't want wasted?"

## OPEN NOSTRILS! END A COLD OR CATARRH

How To Get Relief When Head and Nose are Stuffed Up.

Count fifty! Your cold in head or catarrh disappears. Your clogged nostrils will open, the air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more snuffling, hawking, mucous discharge, dryness or headache; no struggling for breath at night.

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It was Dr. Pierce of the Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N.Y., who discovered a new agent—called Anuric, a harmless remedy that if taken before meals will carry off the uric acid from the system and in this way the pains and aches, the creaky joints and all the distressing symptoms of rheumatism and other maladies disappear. You can easily prove this yourself, by obtaining Anuric at almost any drug store, or send Dr. Pierce 10c. for trial package. Try it and be convinced that Anuric is many times more active than lithia and eliminates uric acid as hot water melts sugar.

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Faribault, Minn.—"About fifteen years ago I caught a severe cold. Acute inflammation followed and through this I became all run-down. I was very miserable. A friend of mine had one of Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Advertisers. I consulted this and read in it of 'Favorite Prescription.' I got a bottle at once and two bottles completely cured me and built me up in splendid health, and since that time whenever I feel in need of something to build me up I get this medicine and it has never failed to give me relief. It is a splendid remedy for women's ailments. I heartily endorse its use."—Miss EDITH PLANTZ, 14th Street and 2nd Ave.

## WHITLOCK'S STORY OF DEPORTATIONS

Report of German Disregard of Human Rights on File in State Department.

### OVERWHELMED WITH HORROR

Minister to Belgium Declared It Was Difficult to Write Calmly and Justly in View of the Huns' Gratuitous Cruelty.

Facts concerning the deportation of Belgians and the forced labor exported by the "Hun" military leaders, which excited the indignation of the civilized world, have been thus officially set forth:

The plan of setting forth the essential facts of the deportations and forced labor of Belgians is set forth by the committee on public information as follows: the documents, that is to say, a small fraction of those which could be cited, tell the story, and only such comments are added as are needed to enable the reader to easily grasp the connection of events.

"The deportations . . . were the most vivid, shocking, convincing, single happening in all our enforced observation and experience of German disregard of human suffering and human rights in Belgium."—Vernon Kellogg in Atlantic Monthly, October, 1917.

A summary of the whole situation, down to January, 1917, can be obtained by reading continuously the report of Minister Whitlock, taken from the files of the state department. This tells of the brutality of the deportations.

"Legation of the United States of America, Brussels, Jan. 16, 1917.

"The Honorable, the Secretary of State, Washington.

"Sir: I have had it in mind, and I might say, on my conscience, since the Germans began to deport Belgian workmen early in November, to prepare for the department a detailed report on this latest instance of brutality, but there have been so many obstacles in the way of obtaining evidence on which a calm and judicious opinion could be based, and one so overwhelmed with the horror of the thing itself, that it has been, and even now is, difficult to write calmly and justly about it. I have had to content myself with fragments of dispatches I have from time to time sent to the department and with doing what I could, little as that can be, to alleviate the distress that this gratuitous cruelty has caused the population of this unhappy land.

Whitlock Opposed Belgian Idea.

"In order to understand fully the situation, it is necessary to go back to the autumn of 1914. At the time we were organizing the relief work, the Comité National—the Belgian relief organization that collaborates with the commission for relief in Belgium—proposed an arrangement by which the Belgian government should pay to its own employees left in Belgium, and other unemployed men besides, the wages they had been accustomed to receive. The Belgians wished to do this both for humanitarian and patriotic purposes; they wished to provide the unemployed with the means of livelihood, and, at the same time, to prevent their working for the Germans. I refused to be connected in any way with this plan, and told the Belgian committee that it had many possibilities of danger; that not only would it place a premium on idleness, but that it would ultimately exasperate the Germans. However, the policy was adopted, and has been continued in practice, and on the rolls of the Comité National have been borne the names of hundreds of thousands—some 700,000, I believe—of idle men receiving this dole, distributed through the communes.

"The presence of these unemployed, however, was a constant temptation to German cupidity. Many times they sought to obtain the lists of the chômeurs, but were always foiled by the claim that under the guarantees covering the relief work, the records of the Comité National and its various suborganizations were immune. Rather than risk any interruption of the ravitaillement, for which, while loath to own any obligation to America, the Germans have always been grateful, since it has had the effect of keeping the population calm, the authorities never pressed the point, other than with the burgomasters of the communes. Finally, however, the military party, always brutal, and with an astounding ignorance of public opinion and of moral sentiment, determined to put these idle men to work.

"General von Bissing and the civil portion of his entourage had always been and even now are opposed to this policy, and I think have sincerely done what they could, first, to prevent its adoption, and secondly, to lighten the rigors of its application."

German Promises Worthless.

In the early days of the German advance into Belgium, the people had learned to fear the worst. This was particularly true in Antwerp. In order to alleviate their fears and to obtain guarantees which might hasten the restoration of settled conditions, Cardinal Mercier secured from the German government at Antwerp promises, and in a circular letter dated October 10th, 1914, asked the clergy of

the province of Antwerp to communicate them to the people:

"The governor of Antwerp, Baron von Hoiningen, General von Huene, has authorized me to inform you in his name and to communicate by your obliging intermediary to our populations, the three following declarations:

"(1) The young men need not fear being taken to Germany, either to be enrolled into the army or to be employed at forced labor.

"(2) If individual infractions of police regulations are committed, the authorities will institute a search for the responsible authors and will punish them, without placing the responsibility on the entire population.

"(3) The German and Belgian authorities will neglect nothing to see that food is assured to the population."

These promises were not kept, as Cardinal